By Adeline Daley

Within the memory span of most women is undoubtedly the fond recollection of seeing either their mother or grandmothers doing what was referred to as "fancy-work." This covered such lady-like diversions as crocheting, embroidery, needle-point and was over and above the more utilitarian tasks of doing the family sewing or plowing the north 40.

Since this was long before the arrival of day-time television, an awful lot of "fancywork" was

However, "fancy-work" was considered a recreational outlet, much as bridge is today, in that it was often done in a group, known as a "Sewing Circle."

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I'll tell you what my "fancy-work" is limited to: stitching up a hem on one of my kid's dresses when it become too obvious that the "emergency" pin I was using to hold it up was beginning to look rusty. Or darning my husband's socks, only to hear him complain that he has a limp, because the hole I mended on the heel wound up in a knot the size of a walnut. Why not? I used up enough yarn to have knitted him a new pair.

But is it my fault that my children aren't going to look back on me as another "Marmee" of "Little Women," quaintly working on patchwork quilts? How can I when I'm forced to spend so much time keeping our appliances running and as a result look more like "Rosie, the Riveter."

Incidentally, it's a shame that Pucci or some other well-known women's designer doesn't come out with more feminine-looking coveralls; perhaps with the straps for hammers and pliers made out of ruffles. But where would you look for your latest fashions—Vogue or Popular Mechanics?

I would like to suggest, too, that some of those heavy-duty mechanic's soaps like "Scat" and "Lava" be sold in perfumed form for milady.

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In the meantime, don't you think I would pre-fer to be stitching rosebuds onto dresser scarves and tatting out lace doilies? That is, if I knew how to tat, instead of taking apart the vacuum cleaner as I did yesterday, because it panics when it picks up anything larger than a pea in its mechanism and

ast hums.

Actually, I have become quite an expert at psyching the aches and ailments of our appliances — an art-form I ought to pass on to my children. Yet in my heart I would prefer to leave my children and their children-to-be, a lavender-scented hope chest, instead of a chest of tools with a delicate essence of Three-in-One oil.

Friends Toast Couple On 50th Anniversary

Friends and relatives of Mr. and Mrs. Louis S. Niez of Torrance gathered Sunday, Oct. 29, to fete the couple on their Golden Wedding Anniversary. The Niezes were toasted at a dinner reception held at the Veterans of Foreign Wars Hall, Gardena.

Mr. Niez is past commander of the American Legion and holds life membership in both the American Legion and Veterans of Foreign Wars. He was a member of the Master Plumbers Association of Los Angeles until his retirement.

Both Mr. and Mrs. Niez are active members of Torrance Senior Citizens. It was through that organization that Mrs. Niez was introduced to oil painting, now a favorite hobby for her. She is also active in several Polish organizations.

The Niezes left South Bend, Ind., for Los Angeles in 1933 and settled in Torrance nine years

ago.

The couple has two sons and two daughters,
Mrs. Jean D. Lucas of Arcadia; Mrs. Edgar W. Gibb
of Palos Verdes Estates; Louis Niez Jr. of Gardena;
and Raymond Niez of Orange City. The clan also
includes eleven grandchildren and two great grandchildren.

Breakfast Benefit Set

The Imperial chapter of the City of Hope is holding its annual pancake break.

Reciprocity Tea

Mrs. R. E. Moffitt, president of the Torrance Woman's Club, was the guest of the Inglewood Woman's Club at their recent Marina District 18 reciprocity tea.



Mexican Orphans Helped

Dr. Andrew J. De Paolo, Rolling Hills Estates, was unanimously re-elected president of Peninsula Friends of Nuestros Pequenos Hermanos at a recent meeting. The organization is dedicated to aiding Mexican orphans at Rev. William Wasson's foundations in Mexico City, Cuernavaca, and Hacienda Acolman. Capt. Daniel F. Logan, Palos Verdes Estates, will serve as vice president; James Kittdelan, Palos Verdes Peninsula, as treasurer; and Mrs. Robert Welsh, Rolling Hills Estates, as secretary.

John Blilch, Rolling, Hills, Cosimo Occhipinti, San Pedro. and Mrs. C. L. Jessup, Palos Verdes Estates, were elected directors. Sister Mary Ann, RSHM, was appointed as an honorary director and will continue as advisor to the philanthropic group. Dr. Lewis Turchi, Rolling Hills Estates, was named chairman of the annual Fiesta of Art and Music to be held April 28, 1968.

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As a direct result of the Fiestas of Art and Music held in the past two years, Dr. De Paolo has been able to equip an office

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in Mexico City which provides complete dental care for 700 orphans. In the past only extractions were performed, Now complete care is given and 18 to 20 patients per day are treated.

With modern facilities available, Dr. De Paolo would like to see the clinic staffed for longer periods. At the present time, a total of eight dentists, have worked there since last January, staying at least a week each time.

These include Dr. C, L. Jessup and Dr. Howard J. Berk, Palos Verdes Estates; Dr. Lewis J. Turchi, Rolling Hills Estates; Dr. Richard Zigrang, Palos Verdes Peninsula; Dr. Warren Bowen, Glendora; and Dr. Lyle Greenway, Fountain Valley; and Dr. De Paolo who visits the clinic many times during the year.

Dr. W. J. Zimmerman, Rolling Hills, plans to be at the clinic in November.

Any other dentists interested in helping at the clinic and able to volunteer their time may contact Dr. De Paolo at 831-0781.

New Jersey Visitors Celebrate Anniversary

Mr. and Mrs. Clarence High of Caldwell. N. J., returned to the South Bay area to celebrate their 45th wedding anniversary with family and the friends made on prior visits to the area. Highlights of the Highs' trip were a dinner at the Hungry Tiger, Palos Verdes Peninsula, and a party at the Coy Davidson home. Guests

YWCA Holds **Card Sessions**

A morning of bridge especially for housewives is offered every Tuesday, 10 a.m. to 12 noon, by the Torrance YWCA, 2320 W. Carson. Those attending may participate in ladder tournaments, round robins, or just two hours of play.

Mrs. Dorothy Putzel, instructor, notes that anyone who plays bridge is invited to attend. No pre-registration is required. Child care is available.

Those desiring further information may call the Torrance YWCA.

Family Dinner

Mrs. Mary McDonald of Torrance entertained 16 family members at a noon dinner Sunday to honor her grandson, Scott Howard McDonald, after he was christened at the Central Church. Seven-month-old Scott is the son of Mr. and Mrs. William McDonald of Saugus.

included the David Sheppards Sr., David Sheppards Jr., Donald T. Snows Sr., all of Torrance; the Roy Daizes, Donald Herricks, Ralph Bensons of Hollywood Riviera; Mrs. Lilly Gestner and Mrs. Jack Horne of Red on do Beach; and Mrs. Mary Halton of Ontario, Canada.

After a visit to the area, future plans of Mr. and Mrs. High include returning to the South Bay for their retirement. rich was guest of honor Sat-urday at a dinner party for friends and family Miles' grandmother, Mrs. Mark A.

Wright of Torrance, gave the party in her home to celebrate her grandson's second birthday.

Miles is the son of Mrs.
Marca Helfrich of Sherman Oaks.

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